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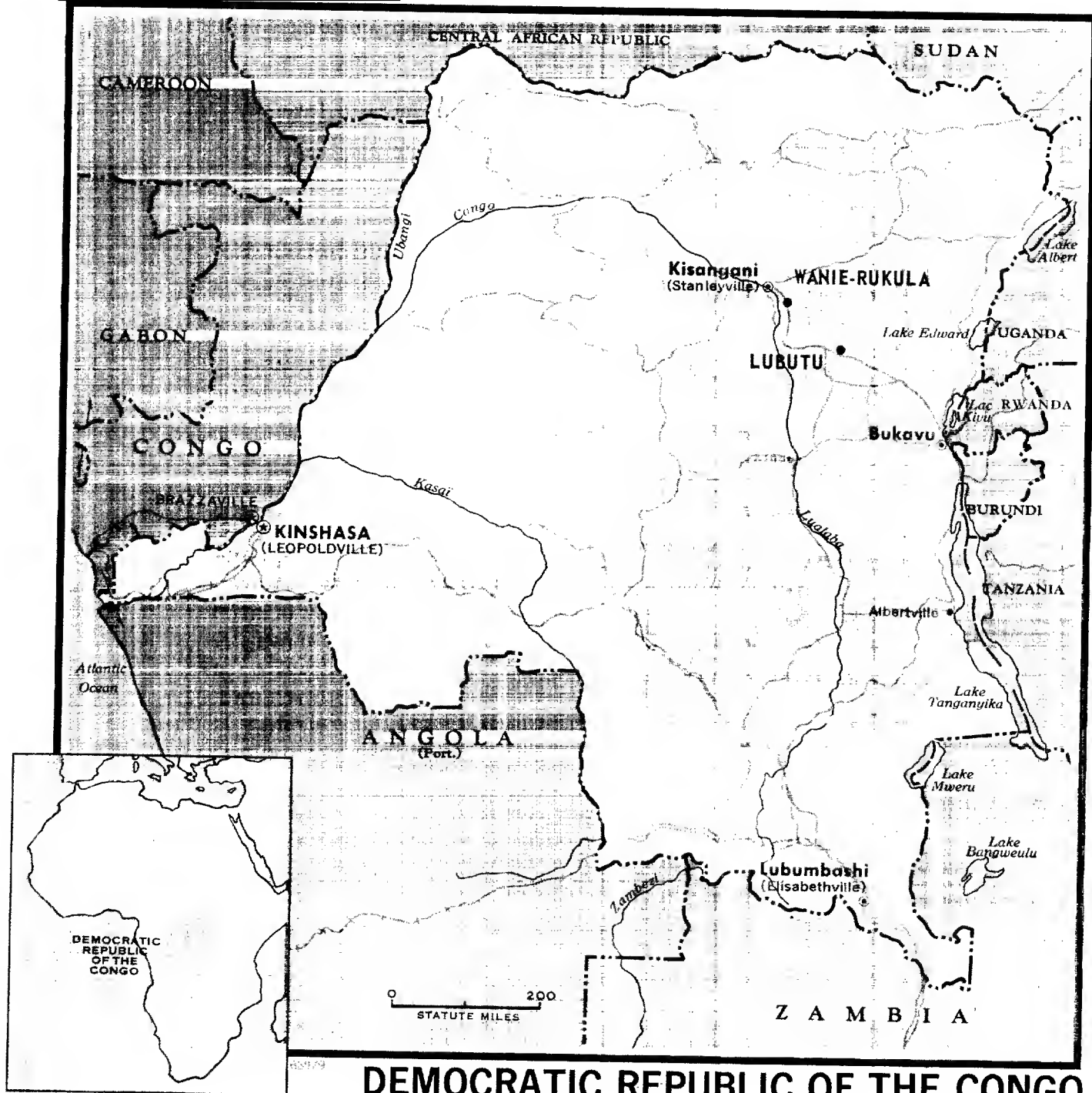
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Congo (Kinshasa): After three days of fighting, forces loyal to President Mobutu control most of Kisangani (Stanleyville), but some of the mutinous Katangans have escaped and are moving southward.

Congolese Army (ANC) units in Kisangani have seized the airport and other strategic points. They were reinforced on Saturday by an ANC paracommando battalion and are backed up by the French-speaking mercenary unit whose commander gave his active support after witnessing atrocities committed by the Katangans. Supplies and ammunition have been flown into Kisangani and the additional mercenary unit paraded 60 miles to the west should arrive soon.

A column of between 15 and 30 trucks carrying at least 300 Katangans is moving along the Lubutu road south of Wanie-Rukula. Although government units are in position along the probable route of advance, they probably have little desire to take on any large force of Katangans.

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USSR: A new series of extended-range ICBM firings will begin soon, probably involving the SS-9, the Soviet missile system capable of carrying the heaviest payload. The Soviets have announced the closure of an impact area in the Pacific, 4,500 miles from the Tyuratam rangehead, for one month beginning on 26 September. This area, which was closed before in the fall of 1965 and the spring of 1966, has been used exclusively for SS-9 firings.

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